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A Silver Republican Scheme.

The East, considered by Mr. Bryan in the campaign of 1896 as the "enemy's country," so far as the free silver tenets of the Democratic faith were concerned, is now deemed good missionary ground and a fallow field, not for free silver ploughing exactly, but it is believed by the free silver Republicans that an alliance with the anti-imperialists will give them a foothold in the eastern states so that they can claim to be a national organization and become a more effective whip for holding the Democrats to the Bryan and 16 to 1 line.

Ex-Senator DuBois, of Idaho, and chairman of the silver Republican executive committee, has thus voiced himself on the project: "There is no place for the Republican anti-imperialists of New England and the coast to go except into our party. The assured composition of the United States senate for several years convinces them that silver legislation cannot be passed for many years yet. On anti-imperialism and kindred questions they are at one with us. I expect to see ex-Governor Boutwell, of Massachusetts; Edward Atkinson, and men like him, sitting as delegates in our convention. Our convention, if held at the same place and time as the Democratic convention, will be a powerful stimulus against any concession by that party to the forces of unrighteousness. We are pretty well satisfied that the Democrats will reaffirm the platform of 1896 and renounce Mr. Bryan. If they should seek to evade or subordinate the silver issue we will establish a separate organization and nominate a separate ticket."

This is a nice scheme for the silver Republicans—but we are very much afraid that it won't work. Atkinson, Boutwell and Hoar may be guilty of many inexplicable eccentricities, but when it comes to consorting with such a combination of idiosyncratic follies we do not believe they are in such close proximity to the doors of the home for imbeciles as Mr. DuBois intimates. Just think of such a grand, good old man as Senator Hoar turning his back forever on the principles of the Republican party and sitting in a convention with a lot of corn-fed Populists, unwound money fanatics and fetid worshipping Bryanites! That would be a spectacle for the visionary gods; indeed.

Where Americans Excel.

The prevalence of war in South Africa and the incident partial suspension of business activity in that section, have served to call attention to the rapid growth of American commerce with the African republics and the British colonies.

A recent number of the British and South African Export Gazette received by the treasury bureau of statistics contains a series of statements on this subject, and quotes Mr. J. Solomon, a Cape Town, South Africa, merchant, as saying: "In some respects the British manufacturer is outdoing his American competitor, but I am afraid that in many cases the latter is getting the decided advantage. The former cannot afford to lose this important market, which, in my view, he does not study sufficiently. On the other hand, the American manufacturer goes out of his way to please his clients in order to gain a probable order. Take boots and shoes for instance. It used to be asserted that American boots would not fit English feet; but American manufacturers now use English lasts. It is the willingness of the Americans to adapt themselves to required styles which has principally gained for them so large a share of the South African trade. Quite a number of Cape Town houses now handle American goods. As regards Germany, England cannot touch it in the matter of blankets and China ware, and in these and some few other classes of goods they are making important inroads into the market."

A similar publication in Ironmongery of recent date says that South Africa imported during 1897 no less than 7,000 tons of wire fencing chiefly from the United States, the iron posts for which, however, were mostly furnished by other countries.

Mr. Robert M. Eadon, a Sheffield manufacturer, is also quoted by the British and South African Export Gazette as saying: "American manufacturers are rapidly gaining in favor. Several lines were mentioned in which the superior finish of American or German goods has caused their more extended adoption at our expense."

American engines, Mr. Eadon found, were much in evidence in South Africa, especially in the interior. Their lighter weight and the consequent smaller transport charges, where they have to be conveyed inland, frequently, without

the aid of railways or steamers, has, he said, no small part in effecting their reader acceptance.

Seeking a West Virginia Charter.

West Virginia's corporation laws seem to be as attractive to big concerns as those of New Jersey. The United Verde Copper Company, supposed to be one of the richest mines in the world, is now seeking to arrange its finances so as to apply for a charter in this state. Senator W. A. Clark, who owns nearly all the stock of the company, has issued a circular giving notice of the intended sale of the present corporation, which is operating under a New York charter, to a West Virginia corporation. The plan of reorganization, as set forth by the committee, W. A. Clark, James A. MacDonald and Henry G. Atwater, proposes to acquire all the property of the United Verde Copper Company of the state of New York, and transfer the same to a corporation organized under the laws of the state of West Virginia, with a capital of \$2,000,000, and take in exchange therefor the stock of that corporation for \$2,000,000 and its bonds for a like amount. Each stockholder of the old company joining in the purchase and reorganization will receive for each share of stock in the old company a share of stock in the new company, and in addition a bond of the new company for \$10.

Arrangements have been made by which any stockholder desiring to dispose of his bonds can sell them at par.

"Since the last sale of United Verde stock, of which the public has heard," says the Boston Herald, "was at \$33.33 per share, at the rate of \$100,000,000 for the 300,000 shares, it is apprehended that no minority shareholder will care to sell. It would probably do no harm for minority shareholders to ascertain, if possible, the motive for this transfer of company domicile. It has been intimated that Senator Clark was ambitious to be both the majority and minority, to wit, the sole stockholder of the company. Whether this removal will further the desire becomes an interesting question."

Another Outlet.

The Intelligencer the other day called attention to the industrial activity in southern West Virginia, and mentioned in that connection several railroads that were projected to afford an outlet for the product of the mines and the forests, and we also noted the fact of several already building. Now comes the assurance that the Hocking Valley railroad will invade this territory to reach the coal fields of that section of the state.

In a letter to the Manufacturers Record, of Baltimore, Chief Engineer Sheldon writes that surveys have recently been completed to ascertain the best location for a connection between the Hocking Valley and the Chesapeake & Ohio, and the estimates of the cost are now being prepared. The former road terminates on the Ohio river, extending for several miles along the shore. By building a bridge and forty miles of extension the connection with the Chesapeake & Ohio could be made at Charleston.

The Hocking Valley system is about 350 miles long, and reaches many of the most important manufacturing towns in Ohio. It has train service direct to Toledo, Columbus and Upper Sandusky, and through its connections reaches Detroit, also Chicago, the latter city by way of the Chicago & Erie railroad. By the connection referred to it would form the nearest route to many of the principal manufacturing towns in Ohio from the West Virginia coal fields, thus extending the market for the mining district along the Chesapeake & Ohio.

Wool Prices.

Among the many beneficences of the Dingy tariff none has been of greater range than the impetus given the wool growing industry. Under the debilitating and destructive Wilson measure sheep husbandry was ruined in this country, and it is only just now recovering from inanition. On every slope the flocks have increased and the farmer has been amply rewarded for his investments. Wool has advanced sharply in price, and the upward tendency promises to continue as long as the general prosperous conditions prevail.

That reliable and conservative authority the American Wool Reporter, commenting on this feature of the wool market says: "It is claimed, and with a fair show of reason, that wool occupies a very peculiar position at this time. Other commodities, notably iron and steel, have experienced a marked advance in price, due almost entirely to the great increase in the general prosperity of the country. But wool, it is asserted, is now not only feeling the effect of the general prosperity, but is also being influenced by special conditions. Therefore, while the extraordinary advances which have been witnessed in other commodities, should there be any surprise over the present upward movement in wool?"

The Washington correspondent of the Pittsburgh Times has made a careful canvass of more than two-thirds of the members of the house of representatives on the question of declaring the seat of the Mormon member-elect vacant. The result is quite encouraging, only two members being outspoken in favor of the measure. One hundred and twenty-three declare against him positively and 134 are non-committal, but most of them are opposed to admitting him.

It appears that Aguinaldo did one thing which should be held in mitigation of his other acts, in counteringmanding the order of General Luna and preventing Lieutenant Gilmore and his naval party of the gunboat Yorktown from being shot.

In the death of Channing M. Smith, of Parkersburg, editor of Smith's Index, the state has lost a useful citizen and society an amiable, Christian gentleman.

You won't catch Oom Cecil Rhodes napping. He has provided himself with a balloon in case the Boers should make Kimberley too warm for him.

Did the turkey agree with you, or did you have "that tired feeling" yesterday?

Aguinaldo's rebellion is on its last legs, General Lawton is now in tele-

graphic communication with the insurgent generals who are considering propositions looking to the surrender of their forces to the Americans.

In spite of the many things we had occasion to be thankful for there was a wonderful amount of kicking done on Thanksgiving afternoon.

Only twenty-three days left to select your Christmas presents.

Santa Claus now has the call.

MORMONISM

Dangerous to Our Free Institutions.

Some Nuts for Elder Whitaker to Crack—What a Grandson of Brigham Young Says.

SIR:—I noticed in your paper of the 29th ult., a long interview with Elder Whitaker, of the Mormon church, who is now in our city, in which he would make it appear that Mormonism is not that ugly, dangerous thing that most people think it to be, but rather a very innocent and rather excellent system. I know you will let both sides be heard in part, at least.

To show that the danger from Mormonism to the nation is neither small nor remote, I would have you quote from an address recently delivered at Irvington-on-the-Hudson, by Eugene Young, grandson of Brigham Young, to the members of Brigham Young's development. The words are those of one who has felt the curse of Mormonism in his own person, and knows whereof he speaks.

"Of the power and growth of Mormonism," Mr. Young said, "Entrenched behind the lines of a state it absolutely controls, appealing to the generosity of the nation to leave it unmolested until its plans shall mature. Mormonism to-day is spreading into half a dozen surrounding states, controlling the election of members of the house of representatives and United States, and seeking a power that some day will enable it to dictate the choice of a President."

"We cannot overlook in these days with the belief that we have the freest country on the face of the globe. We see no room in our land for czar or king or emperor, but yet within its borders there are the most absolute despots in the world. Trammelled by no constitution, by no code of laws, by no customs that may not be changed at will, the head of the Mormon church holds within his grasp the happiness and fortunes, even the life and death, of almost half a million of our people."

"No concern of theirs is beyond his jurisdiction. He can call the young woman from home or school, the young man from the office or the factory, and send them to the ends of the earth. From childhood to the grave they are subject to his call, expected to obey instantly and implicitly. Political business and religion are equally within his province."

"His is a system of government as totally unlike that of the republic as it will be possible to find. He is dictator, the law, the courts, the everything. He levies his taxes, a tenth part of the earnings of each man, woman and child, and he is supreme. If they are paid, no man can marry without his consent, no man can have his children properly baptised, none can enter the priesthood, no matter whether he is a member of the church or not."

"He has his courts, bodies of high priests, whose voice is louder than that of the civil power, whose jurisdiction knows no limit, whose decrees mean riches or poverty. He has his army, thousands upon thousands of young men in the priesthood, who will obey his command, no matter whether they are paid or not. Once, at the behest of Joseph Smith, this army was led against the citizens of Missouri, once, at the command of Brigham Young, it resisted an army of the United States, and once, part of it slew more than two hundred men, women and children at Mountain Meadows, whose only offense was that they disagreed with the church."

"In fact, out in the fastnesses of the Rocky mountains, another nation has grown up, and is being fostered by the Mormon empire, until such time as it shall be ready to bid defiance to our power. Where the emperor is so unjust, because the United States had in all Europe no warmer friend than William II. The German emperor seems to me to be the excellent man, full of manly energy and enterprise, remarked Mr. Long, whereupon I could not refrain from saying that we could use people of just such caliber only too well in America."

WHEELING, DECEMBER 1.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

The devil saves the worst men to make them take care of the furnaces.

Every girl imagines that she can look at a man "with all her soul in her eyes."

Probably the ass thought the angel was coming when Balaam was going to make him a present to.

The only advantage in marrying an intellectual woman is that if you don't you have to marry one that will insist on cleaning house.

No man ever gets into trouble by making love to a lot of women at once. A man only gets into real trouble by making a lot of love to only one woman.—New York Press.

Cleaning House.

Once or twice a year the good housewife has a thorough house cleaning. The house has been swept and dusted every day in the year, but the housewife knows that in spite of vigilance dust accumulates in cracks and corners, and it is only to be removed by special effort.

It's the same way with the body. You look after it every day. You take all the ordinary precautions of cleanliness and health. Yet the body needs its special cleaning to rid it of the accumulations of waste and poisonous matter which invite disease. Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, taken regularly once or twice a year, would save many a sickness. It purifies the blood, strengthens the stomach, and cleanses the body of poisonous accumulations.

"Last spring I had a severe attack of pneumonia, which left me with a bad cough, and also left my lungs in a very bad condition," writes John M. Russell, Esq., of Great, Cherokee, Mo., Ind. "I had no appetite and was so weak I could scarcely walk. My blood was all gone with running around. I got two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which I believe saved my life. I am able now to do very good work."

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## A GERMAN EDITOR

Writes His Recollections of An Interesting Talk With President McKinley—Dewey and Diederichs.

The Philippine Question.

Chicago Times-Herald: Emil von Schieinitz, recently had an interview with President McKinley, to whom he was introduced by Secretary Long. The latter and Mr. von Schieinitz are personal friends since the last presidential campaign. Secretary Long was present during the conversation between the President and the German editor. Mr. von Schieinitz says in his paper concerning the interview:

"The President, who seems to care particularly to win the calmly and conservatively judging German-Americans for his policy, requested me to speak quite frankly. Of course, I needed no second invitation of the kind, and in ten minutes the President knew exactly what the mass of the German-American voters think concerning expansion, militarism, &c. I told the President truthfully that the readers of the Germania, certainly 90 per cent, voted three years ago for McKinley and honest money, but that at present we have every day letters from people who stood up for the Republican ticket all their lives, in which they come out in the most decided manner against the foreign policy of the present administration. I concluded my report, which was received in silence by the President, with the statement that, judging from the attitude of the Germania readers, and overwhelming majority of the German-Americans is against permanent annexation of the Philippines. I know quite well that I will meet with decided opposition to this statement from one or the other reader who thinks differently about the expansion policy, but what I have submitted to the President was nothing else than my personal impression, my own humble opinion. For this he had asked me, and this I gave him. I believe I can take it for granted that Mr. McKinley was disagreeably surprised about much of what I told him. I have reason to believe that heretofore his information concerning the movement among German-American voters has come from a source, which is not quite unobjectionable."

Worse Than The Lottery.

New Orleans Times-Democrat: A mania for playing slot machines has taken possession of thousands of men and boys in this city, and the mania is on the increase. Many hundreds of people of whom the mania has taken complete possession are unable to tear themselves away from the excitement of the game as long as they have so much as a nickel remaining in their pockets. They stand there hour after hour, occasionally for as long as eight hours, "trying their luck" against the combination, until they have parted with \$5, \$10, \$15, or in one case that comes under our notice, \$20.

There are slot machines where only merchandise is given in return for winning, but in the vast majority of cases in which money is given, the last named are the most extensively patronized, and are the most demoralizing.

It is the most dangerous form of gambling probably, that has ever struck New Orleans. There is hardly a saloon or cigar stand in the city without several of these slot machines, and professional men of the highest standing are seen to "take a whirl" at the machine for a few nickels, the boy or young man naturally seeks no wrong in following so good an example. Compared with the slot-machine mania, the playing of the lottery in its palmy days was innocence itself.

PASSING PLEASANTIES.

"This," said the little boy who was showing some country friends the sights of London, "is the square that the battle of Trafalgar was named after."—Tit-Bits.

Where the Horror Lies.—"Don't you have a horror of lending books?" "No; I haven't a horror of lending books, but I have a horror of not getting them back again."—Chicago Record.

Mutually Careful.—"Bobby, you must not play with that little Dicky Jones; he isn't a good boy." "All right, ma; I can't play with him anyway; that's what his mother told him about me."—Puck.

An Inflexible Dilly.—"Pinky told me he knew a Britisher who had a Hindoo servant who used to offer up prayer every day before the gas meter." "I'll bet a dollar he didn't propitiate it!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Its Protective Features.—"Rangie, if I had such a cough as that I should do something for it." "That cough, Whiskers, is indispensible to my life. It keeps me from sleeping, and it keeps me from eating, and it keeps me from doing anything but what I want to do."—Chicago Tribune.

Taking It Literally.—"Yes," he said, speaking of the rich man's son, "the barn burners all right spoke to me." "The little one in the corner became suddenly interested and looked up from her book. 'Really, papa?' she asked, before anyone had a chance to speak." "Certainly," he answered. "I should think some museum would have got him."—Chicago Evening Post.

The Rule That Failed.—The Indians had bound the captive to the stake when the conventional happy thought struck the latter. "If you burn me," he explained, "the sun will be darkened to-morrow." "If you calculate the parallax to the forty-third decimal place that the eclipse does not take place until the day after to-morrow." Saying which the simple chieftain of the forest were all graduates of the government schools, they proceeded with their barbaric laughter.—Detroit Journal.

A Night Song.

How still to-night the world lies stretched in sleep. Such sleep as soothes the waste of sea and land. How soft the waters trail across the sand! And far beyond where Earth's gaunt shadows sweep, Mark how the moon doth bend above the

To kiss the sullen waters of the strand, Until their dark lips glow at the coming And warm and gleam and nearer, nearer creep!

Somewhere across the dark art thou—and Am here! how can it be when all beside is drunk with peace—with longing and desire! That human passion, with its human cry, Can mock the wedded calm of earth and dream with the moonbeam's silver thread! Or woe that can wander lone—neath heaven wide.

As alien chords, midst perfect symphony? O night of peace, that foldeth false and true. O stars, that burn and swoon within the blue. O waves, that heighen as they spring to love grows great by loving yet the more! Draw near and nearer—to share with me This hour of mine, from out eternity!—Crierion.

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archipelago in view, Spain's feeble hold would afford no security for a permanent re-establishment of peace and order. Providence had made us guardians of the group of islands, and we could neither refuse this mission nor share it with any other power. He did not think of the acquisition of land nor possession of our territory, but of humanity and the duties it imposed upon us. He must, therefore, insist that Spain relinquish the Philippines. The details be left to the judgment of the American commissioners. In a similar manner the President expressed himself in a cable dispatch of November 1, 1898, as well as in several instructions of a later date.

"You see," said he, after he had finished reading, "thus I have been carried further and further by the events. But I can assure you of one thing—that the thought of the public welfare was the only consideration that dictated my determination and acts."

The International Sunday School Lesson

Dec. 3, 1899. Nehemiah XIII:15-22

Keeping the Sabbath.

We may theorize as we choose, but the fact remains—the proneness of the heart to backslide. It was so in olden times. Nehemiah had built a wall around the remnant of Israel; the law had been publicly read; the whole nation had gone down to the mourner's bench, and protested that they would never turn to their former life. Yet a few months, years, at best, during Nehemiah's absence, they were all backsliding again.

Neglect of the Sabbath was the beginning of it. Attendance upon the temple service became more and more infrequent. The offerings deteriorated in quality—mostly bread and sick lambs—until the priests had to quit the temple for lack of support, and going to the Levitical cities, began to till the soil.

The case ended with the induction of Tobiah, the inveterate enemy of God and Israel, into the temple. As it had ceased to be used for sacred purposes, they fitted up a suite of rooms, and placed them at the disposal of their wily and wicked guest.

The next step on this down-grade was natural; namely, from the neglect of words to the active desertion of the day. From the forsaken temple and altar they turned to manual labor on the Lord's Day.

That was a strange, sad sight, that greeted Nehemiah's eyes as he looked from the wall of Jerusalem on his first Sunday in the Holy City after his return. "Could I believe his eyes? There, on yonder hills, men were actually treading grapes in the stone press. In yonder field men were loading sheaves upon asses to bring them inside the walls to the threshing-floors, and no shower was threatening, either. Here, at the gate, which once echoed to notes of praise, the chattering of buyer and seller is heard."

Nehemiah does not temporize. He asks not: "What would be politic?" He does not propose a gradual reform. He cries: "God is governor of Israel! His word is law. The Sabbath is His day. The temple is His house."

He hustles Tobiah's furniture out of the temple in the same summary manner that he had driven the tables of the money-changers and the seats of them that sold doves. On Friday, before sunset, he shut the gates of the temple. When the hucksters came, and their garden-truck and fish, they were astonished to find the gates closed. They set up their stands outside, however, hoping to do some business on Saturday. If any were disposed to do so, the faithful servants of Nehemiah were on hand to prevent it. When the hucksters appeared the second Sabbath, a great reformer warned them, if they appeared again he would lay the iron hand of the law upon them. The reformation was complete!

Analysis.

I.—Backsliding. Fact vs. Theory. An ancient example. The revival under Nehemiah and Ezra.

Reading the law—its effect. Protections of allegiance. Favorable conditions—temple and wall rebuilt.

Backsliding in spite of all. II.—Backsliding—Its Cause. Neglect and desertion of the Sabbath. Attendance at temple falls off. Gifts deteriorate. Manual labor on the Lord's Day.

III.—Backsliding—Cured. Sabbath desertion stopped. Nehemiah's example and exhortations. His moral and legal measures.

The Teacher's Lantern.

The Sabbath question is two thousand years old, if not six thousand. Some of our smart newspapers would have us think it is a question incident to the progress of the nineteenth century. They betray their ignorance of that historic volume the Book of Nehemiah.

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